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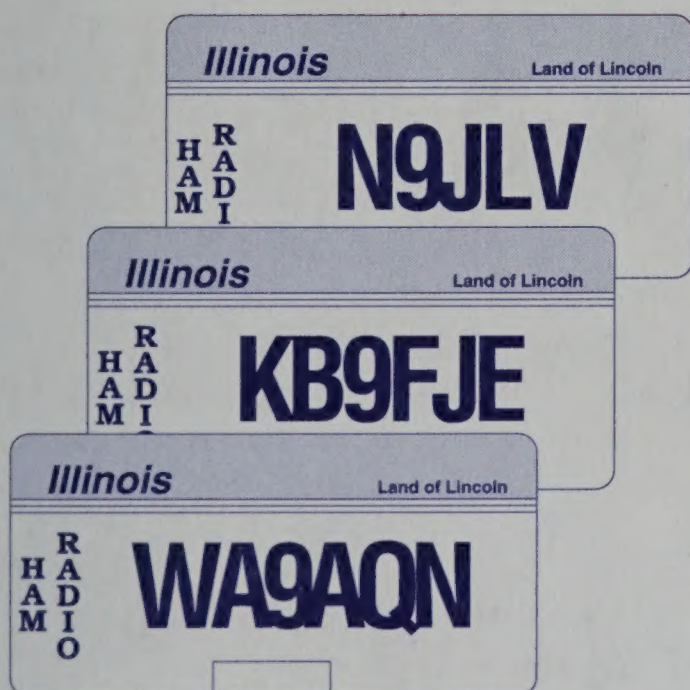
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Amateur Radio License Plates

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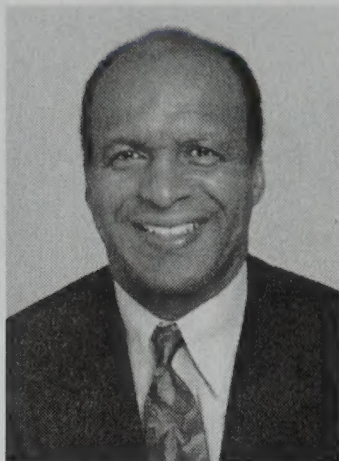
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**Jesse White
Secretary of State**

Radio Operators Save Lives



Serving the public and the interests of Illinois families has always been my top priority, whether it was as a state representative, the Cook County recorder of deeds or the founder of the Jesse White Tumbling Team. As your new Illinois Secretary of State, I am just as committed to providing friendly, efficient and timely service to the citizens of this state.

Amateur radio operators in Illinois share an interest in short-wave radio and a concern for others. Each year, they offer assistance to countless victims of accidents, disasters and other mishaps by providing a vital communications link with emergency services.

For nearly 45 years, Illinois has recognized these citizens by offering special license plates that display their call numbers issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

For your convenience, my office issues Amateur Radio License Plates on a multi-year, staggered basis. Expiration dates are based on the vehicle's purchase date, application date or expiration date of the vehicle's current registration. A benefit of using multi-year plates is cost savings for Illinois taxpayers.

Apply today for your Amateur Radio Plates.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jesse White". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Jesse White
Secretary of State

Q. May amateur radio operators who have current Amateur Radio Plates but have upgraded their FCC licenses receive new plates?

A. Yes, but they must pay an \$14 replacement fee and submit a copy of their FCC license indicating their new call numbers.

Q. May Amateur Radio License Plates be obtained if a vehicle is currently registered with regular passenger, motorcycle or "B" Truck plates?

A. Yes. Applicants who have a current sticker that is valid for more than 60 days may apply for the plates upon payment of an \$18 fee (*\$14 for replacement fee, plus \$4 for manufacturing of the plates*). The plates will be issued with the same expiration date assigned to the previous plates.

If current plates are due for renewal in less than 60 days, Amateur Radio License Plates may be obtained for the standard registration or motorcycle fee plus the additional \$4. It is not necessary to return the plates that expire within 60 days.

Q. May Amateur Radio License Plates be obtained if a vehicle was previously registered in another state?

Questions and Answers

A. Yes, but an Illinois title must first be obtained by surrendering the out-of-state title and submitting the proper application and \$65 title fee.

Q. May Amateur Radio License Plates be obtained if a recently purchased vehicle has not been registered in the owner's name?

A. Yes, but the applicant first must submit a certificate of origin or a properly assigned title and the \$65 title fee.

Q. How can an individual obtain renewal stickers?

A. A renewal application, along with the proper fee, must be submitted prior to the expiration month. Renewal stickers are available at Secretary of State facilities throughout Illinois and at participating banks, savings and loan associations and currency exchanges; and through remitting agencies.

Q. What is the renewal fee for Amateur Radio Plates?

A. The renewal fee is the same as that for the standard registration or motorcycle plates. *(No additional \$4 fee is required.)*

Plate Facts

- Plates are available for passenger cars, motorcycles and second division vehicles weighing up to 8,000 lbs.
- All plates are issued on a multi-year, staggered basis.
- Each applicant is allowed only one set of amateur radio license plates.

The following documents must accompany the initial application:

- 1) A copy of the applicant's amateur radio operator license issued by the FCC.
- 2) A copy of applicant's Illinois vehicle title or current registration identification card. The FCC license holder's name must be on the title unless the vehicle is leased.
- 3) The proper fee, which is the same as the standard registration or motorcycle license plate, plus an additional \$4 fee for the manufacturing of the plates. *(When renewing and purchasing only a sticker, the \$4 fee will **not** be charged.)*

Note: Amateur Radio Plates issued on a motorcycle are the same size as a passenger car plate.

Applications

To obtain the appropriate license plate application, go to the nearest Secretary of State Drivers Services facility, or contact:

Secretary of State
501 S. Second St.
Non-Standard Plates Section, Room 541
Springfield, IL 62756
(217) 785-6901

Mandatory Vehicle Insurance

All motor vehicles registered and operated in Illinois must be covered by liability insurance which that covers property damage and/or injuries you may cause others in an accident.

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